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SUBJECT: ISRAELI ATTITUDE RE SOUTH LEBANON'S WATERS

1. LOCAL FRENCH-LANGUAGE PAPER CARRIED STORY MAR 25 QUOTING ISRAELI FONMIN EBAN AS STATING AT LAST MAY'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF ISRAELI INDEPENDENCE THAT ISRAEL HAD "NEARLY OBTAINED ALL ITS OBJECTIVES" IN ME, EXCEPT THAT OF "TAKING POSSESSION OF LITANI RIVER WATERS."

2. WE VIRTUALLY CERTAIN THAT EBAN NEVER MADE ANY STATEMENT TO THIS EFFECT, OR THAT IF HE DID IT WAS NOT COUCHED IN SUCH BLATANTLY PROVOCATIVE TERMS. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF CONTINUING GOL SENSITIVITY ON THIS SUBJECT, FREQUENCY WITH WHICH GOL RAISES SUBJECT WITH USG, AND HEATED CONTROVERSY NOW IN PROGRESS HERE RE ROLE OF SOUTH LEBANON WATERS IN THIS COUNTRY'S FUTURE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY TEL AVIV'S COMMENTS ON ALLEGED EBAN STATEMENT.
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